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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2831

Attorney Docket No. NC054-US2/5487-79IP

PATENT

In re: Fitzgerald et al.  
Serial No.: 09/660,062  
Filed: September 12, 2000  
For: *Electrical Connection Protector Kit and Method for Using the Same*

Group Art Unit: 2831  
Examiner: A. Nino

Date: December 5, 2003

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL in the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

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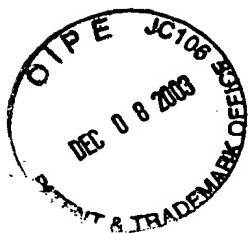
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

The present Amendment is in response to the final Official Action mailed September 15, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed November 17, 2003, and is provided in the Revised Amendment Format pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. §1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.